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TO SECSTATE WASHDC 4008

INFO AMEMBASSY ABIDJAN

UNCLAS MONROVIA 7033

E.O. 11652: N/A

TAGS: ASEC

SUBJECT: REQUEST FOR SECURITY FUNDS

AF/EX FOR KRYZA FROM AMB. MANFULL

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ABIDJAN FOR RSO

1. POST URGENTLY NEEDS \$42,500 FOR SECURITY MEASURES AGAINST HOUSE BREAK-INS AT THE CALDWELL HOUSING COMPLEX. THERE ARE THIRTY U.S. GOVERNMENT LEASED HOUSES IN THIS COMPLEX WHICH ARE OCCUPIED BY ATO PERSONNEL AND THEIR FAMILIES. ALL PERSONNEL WORK SHIFT-WORK AND ARE SOMETIMES AWAY ON TDY, LEAVING WIVES AND CHILDREN HOME ALONE. THIS COMPLEX IS 10 MILES FROM THE EMBASSY, THERE IS NO TELEPHONE SERVICE AND ONLY VERY LIMITED RADIO SERVICE.

2. TWO WEEKS AGO A HOUSE BREAK-IN OCCURRED AT THIS COMPOUND WHICH RESULTED IN THE DEATH OF AN ATO EMPLOYEE. SINCE THAT TIME, TWO OTHER BREAK-INS OF ATO FAMILIES TOOK PLACE IN MONROVIA.

3. MOST BREAK-INS OCCUR DURING THE NIGHT WHILE PEOPLE ARE HOME ASLEEP (ROUGUES EVEN ENTER THE BEDROOMS). NOT A WEEK PASSES WITHOUT A BREAK-IN OF A U.S. GOVERNMENT EMPLOYEE'S RESIDENCE.

4. PARTICULARLY SINCE THE DEATH OF MR. RAYMOND C. RAYNER,
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ALL THE PERSONNEL IN THE CLADWELL COMPLEX HAVE BEEN NERVOUS

AND THEIR MORALE AND PEACE OF MIND ARE SERIOUSLY IMPAIRED.

5. THE EMBASSY IS REQUESTING THESE FUNDS FOR THE FOLLOWING SECURITY MEASURES AT CALDWELL:

(A) \$23,000 FOR CONTRCUTION AND INSTALLATION OF IRON WINDOW BARS

(B) \$7,000 FOR PURCHASE OF BURGLAR ALARM SYSTEMS

(C) \$2,500 FOR THE PURCHASE OF OUTDOOR SECURITY LIGHTS

(D) \$10,000 FOR DOUBLING THE PRESENT GUARD SERVICE UNTIL JUNE, 1975 (FROM 1 GUARD TO 2 GUARDS FOR EVERY 3 HOUSES).

6. POST RECOMMENDS THAT THESE SECURITY MEASURES BE PUT INTO EFFECT AS SOON AS POSSIBLE.

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